



# AGRICULTURAL HAPPENINGS

August 2003



## August

### Don't let WEEDS get your GOAT... Let a GOAT get your WEEDS!



Come meet a professional goat herd and vegetation manager/goat herder and learn how to:

- use goats and sheep to target specific weeds
- hire professional goat herds for weed control
- start your own local goat grazing business

**August 18-22, two King County sites**

Contact [geoff.reed@kingcd.org](mailto:geoff.reed@kingcd.org), 206-764-3410 x103

### WSU Cucumber and Potato Field Day

August 21 in *Mt. Vernon, WA*

Email [twmiller@wsu.edu](mailto:twmiller@wsu.edu) or [dainglis@wsu.edu](mailto:dainglis@wsu.edu)

### Urban Agriculture 2003: Making the Connection Between Locally Grown Food and Community

August 21-24 in *Santa Barbara, CA*

Call 877-246-6337, email [rosy@bioneers.org](mailto:rosy@bioneers.org) or visit  
[www.bioneers.org](http://www.bioneers.org)

### WSU Onion Field Day

August 28 in *Quincy, WA*

Email [pelteq@wsu.edu](mailto:pelteq@wsu.edu)

## September

### Puyallup Fair

September 5-21 in *Puyallup, WA*

Call 253-841-5045 or visit [www.thefair.com](http://www.thefair.com)

### WSU 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Stewardship Picnic

September 6 in *Seattle, WA*

Call 206-205-3131 or email [sylvia.kantor@metrokc.gov](mailto:sylvia.kantor@metrokc.gov)

### Challenges in Agricultural Health and Safety

September 7-9 in *San Francisco, CA*

Call 530-752-5253 or visit [agcenter.ucdavis.edu](http://agcenter.ucdavis.edu)

### Celebrate Skagit Harvest Dinner

September 13 in *LaConner, WA*

Call 360-336-2155 or email [jblazek@hkpa.com](mailto:jblazek@hkpa.com)

### Seattle Tilth Harvest Fair

September 14 in *Seattle, WA*

Call 206-633-0451 or email [tilth@seattletilth.org](mailto:tilth@seattletilth.org)

### Food Business Incubation Summit

September 17-18 in *Northampton, MA*

Call 315-787-2622 or email [cal35@cornell.edu](mailto:cal35@cornell.edu)

### Innovations in Food Systems Education Conference

September 25-27 in *Pullman, WA*

Visit [academic.cahe.wsu.edu/foodsystems\\_registration](http://academic.cahe.wsu.edu/foodsystems_registration)

## October

### ANNUAL HARVEST CELEBRATION DAY FARM TOURS

**Saturday, Oct. 4, 10 am - 4 pm**

- Participating farmers in King, Pierce and various other counties invite you to visit their farms and celebrate fall harvest!



- Visit [www.cascadeharvest.org](http://www.cascadeharvest.org) for links to all county Harvest Celebration Day websites.

**Go local-- experience your Puget Sound foodshed!**

### Intl. Plant Propagators Society Western Region Meeting

October 8-11 in *Portland, OR*

Call 503-662-3244 or email [jim.mcconnell@baileynursery.com](mailto:jim.mcconnell@baileynursery.com)

### Orchard Field Day/Open House

October 11 in *Mt. Vernon, WA*

Email [gamoulton@wsu.edu](mailto:gamoulton@wsu.edu)

### EquiMasters 2003 Horse Expo

October 11-12 in *Puyallup, WA*

Call 800-457-2804

### 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Kelsey Creek Farm Fair

October 11-12 in *Bellevue, WA*

Call 425-452-7688 or email [TWhite@ci.bellevue.wa.us](mailto:TWhite@ci.bellevue.wa.us)

## Washington State Family Farm Summit

October 13-14 in *Wanatchee, WA*

Call 509-682-6625 or email [kmullinix@wvc.edu](mailto:kmullinix@wvc.edu)

## November

### Tilth Producers of Washington Annual Conference

#### Sound Farming: Listening to the Environment

November 7-9 in *Bellingham, WA*

Call 206-442-7620

### 7th Annual Community Food Security Coalition Conference

November 1-5 in *Boston, MA*

Email [ASFisher@aol.com](mailto:ASFisher@aol.com) or visit [www.foodsecurity.org](http://www.foodsecurity.org)

### 11th National Small Farm Trade Show & Conference

November 6-8 in *Columbia, MO*

Call 1-800-633-2535, email [smallfarm@socket.net](mailto:smallfarm@socket.net) or visit

[www.smallfarmtoday.com/tradeshow/default.asp](http://www.smallfarmtoday.com/tradeshow/default.asp)

### Pacific Northwest Vegetable Assoc. Convention and Trade Show

November 19-20 in *Pasco, WA*

Call 509-547-5538 or visit [www.pnva.org](http://www.pnva.org)

### WEEKEND WORKERS ON ORGANIC FARMS

#### Spend a day this summer working on an organic farm!

Nine farms are scheduled from July 12 to October 5.

For information call 206-633-0451, or email

[maradyczewski@seattletilth.org](mailto:maradyczewski@seattletilth.org)

### Visit the NEW web page for the WSDA

#### Small Farm and Direct Marketing Program !!!

[agr.wa.gov/Marketing/SmallFarm/default.htm](http://agr.wa.gov/Marketing/SmallFarm/default.htm)

## MEETINGS

### King County Agriculture Commission

2nd Thursday ~ Call 206-296-1471

### King County Noxious Weed Control Board

Call 206-296-0290

### King County Rural Forest Commission

2nd Wednesday ~ Call 206-205-5621

### King-Pierce County Farm Bureau

3rd Tuesday ~ Call 360-825-1962

### Pierce County Farm Commission

4th Monday ~ Call 253-445-4593

### Pierce County Friends of Family Farms

1st Tuesday ~ Call 253-941-0604

## FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE

### PIERCE COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS

Market	Day/Hours	Opening Day	Phone
Fox Island	Wed / 2pm-6:30pm	June 4	253.884.2496
Gig Harbor	Sat / 8:30am-2pm	May 3	360.830.9502
Proctor	Sat / 9am-2pm	May 31	253.219.9427
Puyallup	Sat / 9am-2pm	May 3	253-845-6755
Tacoma	Thur / 9am-2pm	June 5	253-272-7077
T.H.E.-Gig Harbor	Sat / 9am-2pm	April 26	253.884.2496
University Place	Sun / 11am-3pm	May 11	253-405-6649

### KING COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS

Market	Day/Hours	Opening Day	Phone
Ballard	Sun / 11am-4pm	May 4	206-782-2286
Bothell	Fri / 10am-3pm	May 16	425-483-2250
Burien	Thur / 3pm-7pm	May 15	206-433-2882
Columbia City	Wed / 3pm-7pm	May 21	206-632-5234
Issaquah	Sat / 9am-2pm	April 19	425-837-3276
Kirkland	Wed / Noon-7pm	May 1	425-485-1042
Lake City	Thur / 3pm-7pm	May 29	206-632-5234
Magnolia	Sat / 10am-2pm	June 21	206-632-5234
North Bend	Sat / 9am-1pm	May 3	425-888-3434
Pike Place Market	Mon-Sat / 9am-6pm	Year-round	206-774-5253
	Sun / 10am-5pm		
Redmond	Sat / 9am-3pm	May 3	425-556-0636
Renton	Tues / 3pm-7pm	June 18	425-226-4560
University District	Sat / 9am-2pm	May 24	206-632-5234
Vashon	Sat / 9am-2pm	April 5	206-567-4548
West Seattle	Sun / 10am-2pm	May 18	206-632-5234
White Center	Sat / 10am-2pm	June 14	206-779-7566
Woodinville	Sat / 9am-4pm	April 19	425-485-1042

For more information on these and other

WA farmers markets visit

[www.wafarmersmarkets.com](http://www.wafarmersmarkets.com)

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For more information on listed events and other matters pertaining to agriculture in King County, please contact Washington State Univ. Cooperative Extension King County at 206-205-3100. Suggestions for classes, conferences, meetings and other activities are also welcome.

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